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following individuals who meet the requirements of paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section:

- (1) Individuals who are financially eligible for but not receiving SSI benefits and who, before deduction of incurred medical and remedial expenses, meet the State's more restrictive eligibility requirements described in §435.121;
- (2) Individuals who meet the income standards of the following eligibility groups:
- (i) Individuals who would be eligible for cash assistance except for institutional status described in § 435.211;
- (ii) Individuals who are enrolled in an HMO or other entity and who are deemed to continue to be Medicaid eligible for a period specified by the agency up to 6 months from the date of enrollment and who became ineligible during the specified enrollment period, as described in §435.212;
- (iii) Individuals receiving home and community-based waiver services described in § 435.217;
- (iv) Individuals receiving only optional State supplements described in §435.234:
- (v) Institutionalized individuals with income below a special income level described in § 435.236;
- (vi) Aged and disabled individuals who have income below 100 percent of the Federal poverty level described in section 1905(m) of the Act.
- (3) Individuals who qualify for special status under §§ 435.135 and 435.138, and with respect to whom the State elects to disregard some or the maximum amount of title II payments permitted to be disregarded under those sections.
- (d) *Use of more liberal methods.* The agency may elect to apply more liberal methods of counting income and resources that are approved for this eligibility group under the provisions of § 435.601.

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(a) If the agency provides Medicaid to individuals receiving SSI under §435.120, it may provide Medicaid, in one or more of the following classifications, to individuals who receive only an optional State supplement that

meets the conditions specified in paragraph (b) of this section and who would be eligible for SSI except for the level of their income.

- (1) All aged individuals.
- (2) All blind individuals.
- (3) All disabled individuals.
- (4) Only aged individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements as defined under SSI.
- (5) Only blind individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements as defined under SSI.
- (6) Only disabled individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements as defined under SSI.
- (7) Individuals receiving a federally administered optional State supplement that meets the conditions specified in this section.
- (8) Individuals in additional classifications specified by the Secretary for federally administered supplementary payments under 20 CFR 416.2020(d).
- (9) Reasonable groups of individuals, as specified by the State, receiving State-administered supplementary payments.
- (b) Payments under the optional supplement program must be—
- (1) Based on need and paid in cash on a regular basis;
- (2) Equal to the difference between the individual's countable income and the income standard used to determine eligibility for supplement. Countable income is income remaining after deductions required under SSI or, at State option, more liberal deductions are made (see §435.1006 for limitations on FFP in Medicaid expenditures for individuals receiving optional State supplements); and
- (3) Available to all individuals in each classification in paragraph (a) of this section and available on a statewide basis. However, the plan may provide for variations in the income standard by political subdivision according to cost-of-living differences.

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